**Timely Warning Notification: Aggravated Assault & Domestic Violence**

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The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) is a federal law that requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. A requirement of this law is timely notification to the campus community of certain crimes in a manner that will aid in the prevention of similar crimes.

**AGGRAVATED ASSAULT & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

On August 22, 2023, the University Police Department responded to an incident that occurred on-campus near Zone 13 around 6:30 p.m. The incident was reported to be a domestic dispute involving an individual believed to be under the influence. The individual suspected of being under the influence was involved in a hit and run, evading arrest, and assaulting a Peace Officer.

Crime victim rights and options were provided. Title IX is aware of the reported incidents.

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**WTAMU and the University Police strongly encourage everyone to use good judgement and be an active player in your own safety. Review the following prevention strategies related to fighting, arguments, and abusive relationships.**

- Verbal provocation alone is not justification to assault a person
- Do not provoke others with words or actions
- Assaultive abuse may be physical, emotional and/or verbal..
- Assaultive abuse may include damaging property, throwing objects, punching walls, etc.

How to help:

- Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. Make the choice to intervene, speak up, or do something about it.

- Believe someone who discloses sexual assault, abusive behavior, or experience with stalking.
- Watch out for friends and fellow students or employees who look like they could be in trouble or need help. Ask if they are ok.